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125. Proposed by F. M. PRIEST, Mona House, St. Louis, Mo.

A Quaker once, we understand
 For his three sons laid off his land,
 And made three equal circles meet
 So as to bound an acre neat.
 Now in the center of the acre,
 Was found the dwelling of the Quaker;
 In centers of the circles round,
 A dwelling for each son was found.
 Now can you tell by skill or art
 How many rods they live ap:

*** Solutions of these problems should be sent to B. F. Finkel not later than March 10.

ALGEBRA.

115. Proposed by ALOIS F. KOVARIK, Instructor in Mathematics and Science, Decorah Institute, Decorah, Iowa.

Find the conditions of the coefficients of a general biquadratic equation so that it may be solved by quadratics.

116. Proposed by ARTEMAS MARTIN, A. M., Ph. D., LL. D., U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Office, Washington, D. C.

Solve the equations:

$$\begin{aligned} w(xy+xz+yz) &= a; & x(wy+wz+yz) &= b; \\ y(wx+wz+xz) &= c; & z(wx+wy+xy) &= d. \end{aligned}$$

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GEOMETRY.

135. Proposed by WILLIAM HOOVER, A. M., Ph. D., Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy, Ohio University, Athens, O.

If a hyperbola be described touching the four sides of a quadrilateral which is inscribed in a circle, and one focus lie on the circle, the other focus will also lie on the circle.

136. Proposed by J. OWEN MAHONEY, B. E., M. Sc., Professor of Mathematics, Central High School, Dallas, Tex.

Construct a triangle having given the base, the median line to the base, and the difference of the base angles.

137. Proposed by J. W. YOUNG, Fellow and Assistant, Ohio State University, Columbus, O.

A right cone has its vertex in a horizontal plane, its axis being perpendicular to the plane. A string has one extremity attached to a point on the cone. The other extremity, P , of the string is kept in the plane, and the string is then wound around the cone, without being allowed to slip. Show that the spiral generated by P cuts all straight lines through the vertex at the same angle.

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CALCULUS.

106. Proposed by M. C. STEVENS, M. A., Professor of Mathematics, Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{\cos rx dx}{1 - 2a \cos x + a^2} = \frac{\pi r^2}{1 - a^2}.$$

[Williamson's *Integral Calculus*, 6th Edition, page 174.]